

A Timely Story of the Mexican Border Troubles!

Afoul of Villa's Men



A gripping picture of conditions along the Mexican border and events which led up to the chase after Villa and his bandits by American troops.

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DUBLIN RIOTERS ARE NOW SUBDUED

Armed Members of the "Sinn Party" Took Possession of Stephens Green.

London, April 25.—The officials communication issued this afternoon concerning the situation in Dublin says:

"At noon yesterday serious disturbances broke out in Dublin. A large party, mostly of men identified with the Sinn party, mostly armed, occupied Stephens Green and took possession forcibly of the place, where they cut the telegraphic and telephonic wires. Houses also were occupied in Stephens Green, sackville street, Abby street and along the quays.

"In the course of the day soldiers arrived from the curragh and the situation is now in hand. So far as is known here, three military, four or five soldiers, two loyal volunteers and two policemen have been killed and four or five military officers and seven or eight soldiers and six volunteers wounded. No exact information has been received of the casualties on the side of the 'Sinn Feiners.'

"Reports received from Cork, Limerick, Ennis, Tralee and both Ridings and Tipperary show that no disturbances of any kind have occurred in these localities."

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GERMANY WISHES FOR SETTLEMENT

To Offer Modus Vivendi Proposal.

PEOPLE SEE GRAVITY

Regard Situation as Dangerous, But Consider it With Continued Calmness.

Berlin, April 25. (via London, April 26.)—Prior to his departure for headquarters to consult with Emperor William on the submarine issue, Germany's relations with the United States again were under discussion to-day by Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the imperial chancellor, and James Gerard, the American ambassador. No definite decision in the premises apparently has been reached and one probably will not be arrived at until the chancellor reaches headquarters to-morrow.

All the surface indications, however, point more and more to the probability that an arrangement regarding the Sussex and a modus vivendi on the submarine problem will be offered to the United States and that a sincere endeavor to reach an understanding will be made from this, putting the decision regarding the future status of relations up to Washington.

The public and the press continue to view the situation gravely but calmly and for the greater part with a desire that a way out of the controversy may be found.

The Wolff bureau to-day circulated an appeal from the German University League of America to the rector of Berlin university for a dispassionate consideration of the American position.

SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Automobile of Miss Dorothy Upton and friend, Mrs. Fane, breaks down at New Mexico border patrol camp commanded by Lieutenant Kynaston. The two women are on way to mine of Miss Upton's father, located a few miles across the Mexican border. Kynaston leaves women at his camp while he goes with a detail to investigate report of Villa gun runners. Villa troops drive small force of Carranza across border line and they surrender to Kynaston.

CHAPTER II—Dorothy and Mrs. Fane still at camp when Kynaston returns with prisoners. Blind Mexican priest appears in camp and claims interned Mexicans have in the spoils brought across the line a wonderful emerald bell stolen from a shrine by Zapata and taken from him by Carranza troops. Priest is searching for the emerald in order to return it to the shrine. Kynaston investigates and finds emerald. He reports it to department headquarters and is instructed to hold it until arrival of officer from headquarters. Dorothy's father arrives, sees the emerald, tries to buy it but without success, and then leaves with Dorothy and Mrs. Fane for his mine.

CHAPTER III—Major Uplike arrives from headquarters to receipt for emerald. He and Kynaston leave camp for short time for ride along border. On returning they find the blind priest gone. Kynaston discovers a fire in direction of Upton's mine and realizes Villa's men have attacked the mine house.

CHAPTER IV—Upon attempting to turn emerald over to Major Uplike Kynaston finds it has disappeared. He sends detail to find the priest, and he, with another detail, starts for the border line to, if possible, assist the Uptons. Despite order Kynaston, with one man, crosses the border to make their way to the mine house, which is being attacked, and with idea of rescuing Dorothy Upton with whom Kynaston is madly in love. They reach the mine house.

CHAPTER V—Mine house is entirely surrounded and escape cut off. Bandits send flag of truce and demand payment of large sum for release of party. Upton refuses and fight continues. Bandits appear with second flag of truce.

CHAPTER VI—Bandits announce that Colonel Pesquera has been killed and demand surrender of man who killed him, the remainder of party to be permitted to leave unharmed. Both Kynaston and Upton insist that each be permitted to surrender himself as man who killed Mexican colonel. Play game of poker to see which one it shall be. Kynaston plays cards so as to force himself to loose. After leaving mine house to surrender to bandits Dorothy discovers how Kynaston lost poker game.

CHAPTER VII—Kynaston taken before the Villa general Obispo. Finds blind priest in Obispo's camp. Obispo demands that lost emerald be turned over to him as price of Kynaston's life. Mexican lieutenant enters with order from Villa announcing intended attack on Columbus, N. M., that night and ordering Obispo to join main command following afternoon. Obispo orders Kynaston to send letter to Upton to deliver emerald and he writes note intended to give Upton tip to attempt escape in automobile at mine house.

CHAPTER VIII—Dorothy has discovered her father stole emerald and insists on taking it to bandit as ransom for Kynaston.

CHAPTER IX—Upton and Dorothy arrive at Obispo's camp and announce that they have the emerald. Upton is shot at Obispo's order and Kynaston and Dorothy escape and get back to the mine house. Dorothy still in possession of the emerald.

STORY OF BORDER TROUBLES

"Afoul of Villa's Men" Pictures Conditions Recently Existing Along Mexican Frontier.

The new serial story, "Afoul of Villa's Men," by Capt. George Brydges Rodney of the Fifth cavalry, to appear in this paper, is a thrilling piece of fiction describing conditions existing in Mexico and along the border for some time, and leads you up to the raid on Columbus, N. M., by Villa and his bandits. The story is especially interesting because it comes from a source which may be considered authoritative.

Told in story form is a graphic description of what Americans resident in Mexico and American troops guarding the border have had to put up with during the last two or three years from bloodthirsty bandits—who have been euphoniously labeled patriots struggling for liberty. The situation is painted in words of fire, and the story will give you an insight into the true state of affairs much better than you could possibly get it from reading the daily news dispatches.

Captain Rodney is a son of the late Brig. Gen. George Brydges Rodney. He is not a West Point man, but got his first military experience as a second lieutenant in the First Delaware Infantry during the Spanish-American war. After that conflict he joined the regular army and was attached to the Twenty-seventh Infantry as a first lieutenant. He was graduated from the Infantry and Cavalry school in 1904, and was promoted to a captaincy March 11, 1911.

"Afoul of Villa's Men" is perhaps the most timely story we have ever had the opportunity of printing. You must be sure to read it.

Straight Criticism.

"They ain't no more ignorant folks on earth," asserted Mrs. Jonathan Hep as she listened to the bookish person, "than them as looks down on th' peepul that don't have th' same variety of knowledge thet they has—an' a man what makes a speshty uv findin' out what other folks hez writ about things sted o' thinkin' them out fer hisself is the wust snob uv th' lot."

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Capt. George B. Rodney

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